

**EVERETT CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET**

**PROJECT TITLE:**

A RESOLUTION establishing 05/10/2017 Briefing  
 Prohibited Areas related to \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed Action  
 areas of drug trafficking. \_\_\_\_\_ Consent  
 05/24/2017 Action  
 \_\_\_\_\_ First Reading  
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 \_\_\_\_\_ Third Reading  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Public Hearing

COUNCIL BILL # \_\_\_\_\_  
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 FOR AGENDA OF May 10, 2017

Initialed by:  
 Department Head \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Council President \_\_\_\_\_

| <u>Location</u> | <u>Preceding Action</u> | <u>Attachments</u>                                      | <u>Department(s) Approval</u> |
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|                 |                         | Resolution, Declaration of<br>Sergeant Jeff Hendrickson | Legal                         |

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**DETAILED SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

Chapter 10.13 EMC of the Everett Municipal Code requires that the Stay Out of Drug Area (SODA) geographic areas be updated at least every two years. The Everett Police Department has requested an update to the geographic areas based on drug crime data, including narcotics-related crimes, as outlined in the Declaration of Sergeant Jeff Hendrickson.

**RECOMMENDATION** (Exact action requested of Council):

Adopt a Resolution establishing Prohibited Areas related to areas of drug trafficking.

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION** establishing Prohibited Areas related to areas of drug trafficking.

**WHEREAS**, on December 19, 2007, the Council enacted Ordinances related to Violations of Court Orders; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ordinances require that Stay Out of Drug Areas (“SODA”) orders set forth Prohibited Areas that have been established by a resolution of the City Council, at a minimum of every two years; and

**WHEREAS**, the evolving nature of open air drug markets is such that certain areas of the City are currently not in the prohibited areas but are areas of drug trafficking; and

**WHEREAS**, the areas must be updated every two years, the ordinance allows for more frequent updates to accurately reflect what is occurring within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ordinances require that the establishment of the Prohibited Areas be supported by information from the Police Department in the form of one or more declarations and/or other sworn testimony; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has reviewed the declaration of Sergeant Jeff Hendrickson, and/or has heard other sworn testimony;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVERETT AS FOLLOWS:**

That the City Council adopts the attached recommendations for Prohibited Areas related to areas of drug and trafficking.

PASSED and APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2017.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Council President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Councilmember Introducing Resolution

**Stay Out of Drug Areas  
Declaration of Sergeant Jeff Hendrickson  
April 2017**

I, Jeff Hendrickson, certify or declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the following is true and correct:

I am a Sergeant with the Everett Police Department. My current assignment is Sergeant of the Anti-Crime Team (ACT). ACT focuses on problem locations in the city with the goal of reducing crime, including narcotics related crimes, proactively.

I have been a commissioned Police Officer since October 1997. In my time with the Everett Police Department I have been involved in uniform and undercover proactive narcotics investigations. I have worked in Patrol and was an officer in ACT when it was established for approximately four years. I have been a Master Police Officer responsible for training new officers and was promoted to Sergeant in August of 2013. I have supervised the Anti-Crime Team for the past 3 years.

I have made or been involved in hundreds of narcotics arrests in the City of Everett, including Stay Out of Drug Areas ("SODA") Order violations. I have attended numerous hours of training related to narcotics investigations.

While preparing this document I consulted with Officer A Kravchun, Ofc O Kravchun and Ofc D Wantland who are currently assigned to ACT. I know they have extensive knowledge of narcotics activity throughout the city. I also had the Everett Police Department Crime Analysis Unit evaluate the drug arrest and complaints of drug activity for an 8 month time frame. I included the following map that displays drug related arrests and complaints as a reference.

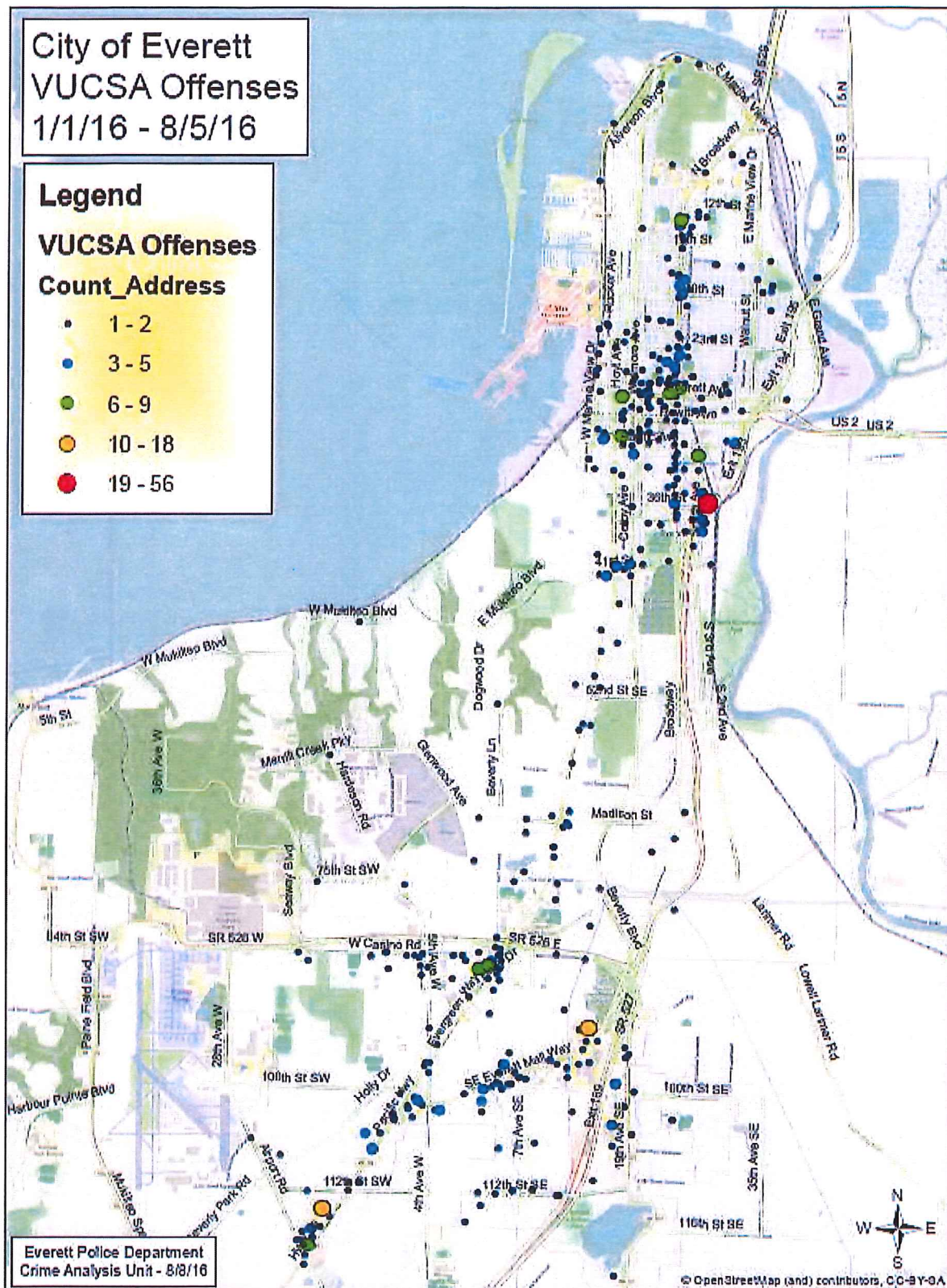
# City of Everett VUCSA Offenses 1/1/16 - 8/5/16

## Legend

### VUCSA Offenses

#### Count\_Address

- 1 - 2
- 3 - 5
- 6 - 9
- 10 - 18
- 19 - 56



Everett Police Department  
Crime Analysis Unit - 8/8/16

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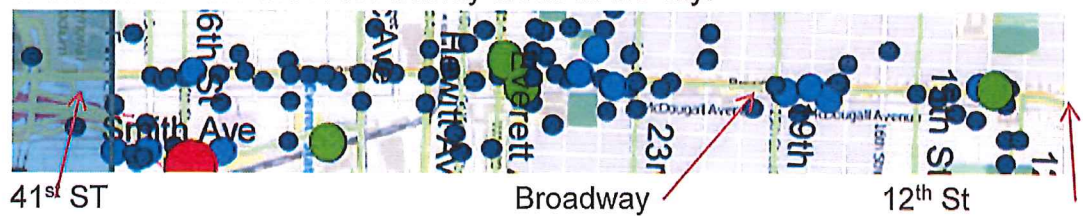
The purpose of this declaration is to provide information on current and proposed SODA areas. In my opinion, based on my training and experience, the current areas should remain SODA. Based off of crime analysis data, and my experiences I have also included 2 new SODA areas.

In the following SODA area descriptions, two blocks east, west, north, or south will extend to and include the sidewalk of the most easterly and westerly, southerly and northerly roadways. For example when referring to two blocks east of 4100 Rucker, the SODA area will include the sidewalk on the east side of Hoyt in the 4100 block.

-The area of North Broadway Avenue 700 through 1000 block and two blocks east and west is a current SODA area, and I believe should remain so for at least the next two years. This area includes Everett Community College and Washington State University North. This area has grown significantly in size over the last two years to include student housing. The student population is a potential customer source for drug dealers. Over the past 8 months there have been 4 narcotic incidents



-The area from 1000 through 4100 block of Broadway Avenue and two blocks east and west is a current SODA area and I believe should remain so for the next two years. This area contains a number of motels, some of which are popular with drug dealers and consumers. This area also contains a verity of retail stores. ACT has observed drug activity and made narcotics arrests in the parking lots of many of the stores. According to crime analysis this is one of the most active narcotics activity areas in the city.



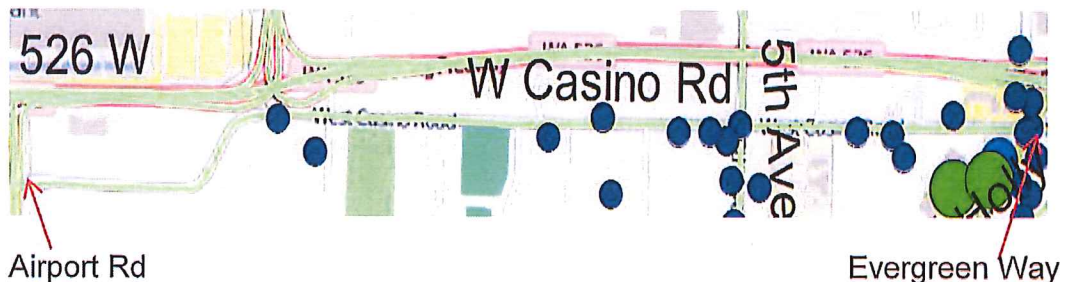
-The area from 3100 block of Smith Avenue to the 4000 block of Smith Avenue and two blocks east and west, is a current SODA area. I believe that the area should continue to be in the SODA area for the next two years. This area contains the Everett Transit Center, a major transportation hub for the City of Everett and Snohomish County. The vast majority of citizens who use the Transit Center are law abiding citizens going to and coming home from work and other activities. Unfortunately the Transit Center is also where many narcotics sales and use take place. I have witnessed narcotics activities in the parking lots of the Transit Center. It is not uncommon for drug sales and use to occur in cars parked in the north parking lot.

The 3600 block of Smith has become an area where a large amount of drugs are sold and consumed. Over the past several months ACT officers have observed and arrested many persons in this area for drug sales and use. We have recovered a variety of drugs and drug paraphernalia from those arrests. We have received numerous complaints about drug activity from the business in the area. We have witnessed numerous drug transactions. According to crime analysis this is the most concentrated area of drug activity in the city. In the 3600 block of Smith alone there were 56 drug arrests.

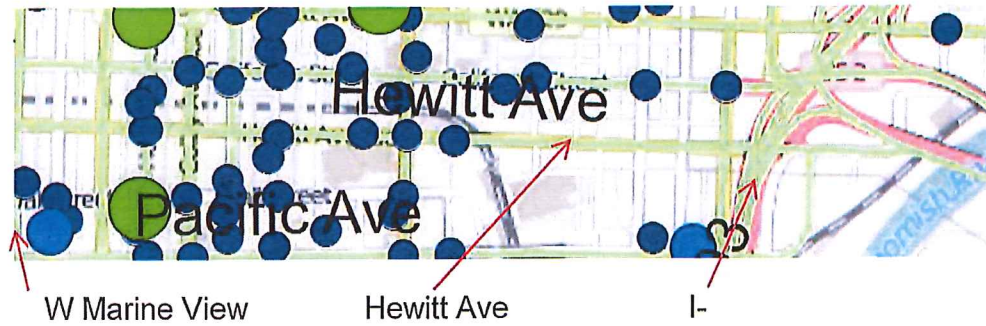




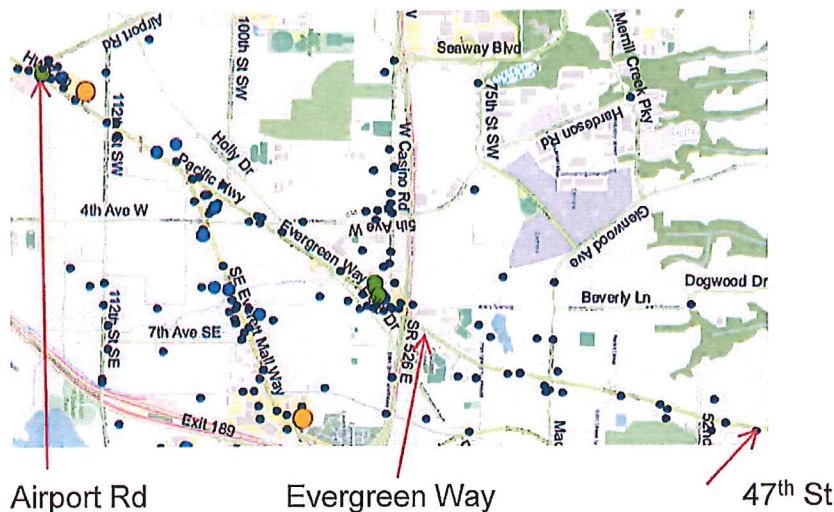
-The entire area on Casino Road from Evergreen Way to Airport Road and two blocks north and south of Casino Road is a current SODA area and I believe should remain so for the next two years. ACT conducted an extensive narcotics investigation involving the area of 5<sup>th</sup> and West Casino. We have found that drug transactions in this area are very commonly associated with violent street gangs. There was a murder in the 1000 block of West Casino where narcotics were involved. We have conducted interdiction operations in the area of Casino Rd. In one operation we observed three separate vehicles involved in drug transaction in a period of 2 hour at the same location on Casino. A narcotics K-9 detected narcotic odor on all three vehicle. Narcotic search warrants were served on all three vehicles, drugs, drug paraphernalia and a stolen pistol were recovered.



-The area from 1000 block to the 3200 block of Hewitt Avenue and two blocks north and south of this area is a current SODA area and I believe should remain so for the next two years. This area contains several bars and the Everett Events Center. ACT has made arrests for narcotics related crimes in this area. Crime analysis shows drug activity in this area to spread about the downtown core. We have received complaints about narcotic activity and made drug arrest throughout this area. With the continued economic and residential development of the downtown core a SODA designation will assist in reducing crime in the area.

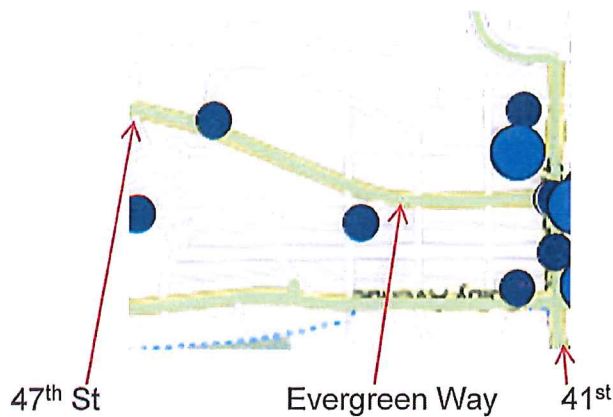


-Evergreen Way, from the 4700 block south to the city limits and two blocks east and west is a current SODA area and I believe should remain so for the next two years. This area has businesses and motels which have had narcotics activity take place in them and in the surrounding area. 11400 Evergreen Way was the location with the second highest number of drug arrest in the City

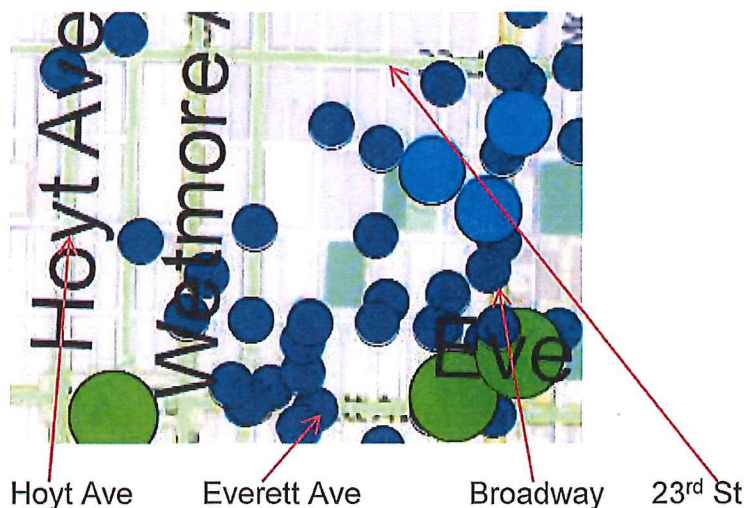


-The 4000 to 4700 blocks of Rucker Avenue, two blocks east and west, is currently a SODA area. I believe this area should remain a SODA area. This area is part of a major arterial through the city. Crime analysis show that there have been drug complaints and arrests in this area. The parking lots of the business off of Rucker near 41<sup>st</sup> are very active with drug sales. ACT has partnered with the Snohomish Regional Drug and Gang Taskforce to perform interdictions in this area. We have observed drug transaction in these parking lots near customers coming and going from the stores.

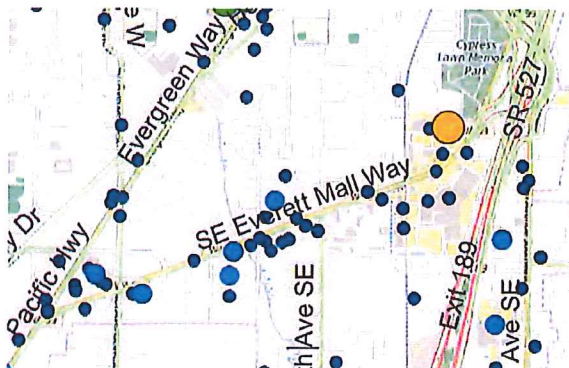




-The area of Clark Park and Everett High School. Everett Ave, to 23<sup>rd</sup> St., to Broadway, to Hoyt. The area around Clark Park and Everett High is experiencing a large amount of drug activity. We have received repeated complaints about drug sale and use at the park. I have been involved in several arrests for drug sales in Clark Park. I have found used hypodermic needles in the park. The proximity to Everett High School allows the drug activity to spill over to the area of the School. I have witnesses people injecting themselves with heroin in sight of the school. I have received complaints from citizens about drug sales in the area next to the school. There are a large amount of drug arrests and drug complaints in this area. This area is currently not a SODA area. Crime analysis and my experience indicate that it should be.



-Everett Mall Way, Evergreen Way to SR526, 2 blocks north and south. This is another extremely active area for drug arrests and complaints. There are several locations with in this area where crime analysis identified high concentrations of drug arrests and complaints. The high concentrations are associated with large retail areas. I have been involved in several arrests and investigations of drug sales in this area. 1605 SE Everett Mall Way had the third highest number of arrests in the city. Drug transactions are conducted amongst normal shoppers.



Attached and incorporated by reference to my declaration is a description of the areas described above, all of which area contained within the city limits of Everett, that I am recommending on behalf of the Everett Police Department to the Everett City Council to remain designated as Stay Out of Drug Areas ("SODA") to-wit:

1. 700 block through 1000 block of North Broadway, and two blocks east and west of this area of North Broadway Avenue; and


2. 1000 block through the 4100 block of Broadway Avenue, and two blocks east and west of this area of Broadway Avenue; and
3. Evergreen Way extending from the 4700 block to the south city limits; and two blocks east and west of this area of Evergreen Way; and
4. West Casino Road extending from Evergreen Way to Airport Road, and two blocks north and south of this area of West Casino Road; and
5. Hewitt Avenue extending from 1000 block to the 3200 block, and two blocks north and south of this area of Hewitt Avenue; and
6. 3100 block to the 4000 block of Smith Avenue, and two blocks east and west of this area of Smith Avenue.
7. 4000 block through 4700 block of Rucker Avenue, and two blocks east and west of this area of Rucker Avenue

I also recommend the following area be added as Stay Out of Drug Areas ("SODA") to wit:

1. The area contained within Everett Ave, to 23<sup>rd</sup> St., to Broadway, to Hoyt. The area of Clark Park and Everett High School
2. Everett Mall Way, Evergreen Way to SR526, 2 blocks north and south of Everett Mall Way

These areas are known to me from my experience, training, data produced above and interaction with law enforcement officers, neighbors and business people to be areas where narcotics activity presently justifies designation as SODAs. These areas include the listed streets and the immediately adjoining sidewalks and alleys.

Dated this 13 day of April, 2017 at Everett Washington.

  
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Jeff L. Hendrickson